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WHAT ARE LUXURIES?

The new tariff bill is said to have classified in its schedules women's "loves" and stockings and millinery fixings—hair ornaments, hat pins, algettes, osseous and other feathering, furs and furs, things made of furs and feathers—in the list of luxuries which should be made to pay higher taxes and it is expected if the senators do not place these things among the necessities of life with a rush that the women of the country will rise up and show congress what they are capable of doing in the way of tariff mangle.

When the American woman starts for Washington to knock down tariff schedules, she does not fail. The women are credited with doing most of the real damage to the republican party in the great tariff campaign of 1890, when the republicans, following the passage of the McKinley bill, were turned out of control in the house by a most emphatic majority. That bill seemed strangely, fatuously, aimed at the women; and when the women figured out what it would do to their monthly allowances they lined up the voting members of their families, and election brought a fearful shock.

A woman's crusade against the Payne tariff bill is not to be desired; and doubtless the august senators will find that these things should be classified like men's socks, or ties, or derby hats, and hasten to let the women know that such extraordinary taxation without representation is in their minds a sin.

If women's stockings and gloves are luxuries, what are men's collars and cuffs? This is something which could not have been intentional. It must be regarded as an oversight on the part of the committee—they knew better.

THE NOISELESS ARM.

The police of the great cities are not the only persons who are being made nervous by the fact that Hiram Maxim's noiseless gun is about to be put upon the market. It is a weapon which bodes no good to the people in general and it is likely to greatly increase crime.

The chief of police of Pittsburgh is being ridiculed because he has given notice that he will arrest any person in that city who has a Maxim silencer upon his gun; but it is curious that such an invention can be put on the market for general distribution. That they will fall into the hands of the criminal classes, or that they will be an inspiration to people of a revengeful spirit to murder with greater assurance than ever of never being found out, is a rational conclusion.

It is not surprising that the police, or that men of place and power, or men of means, feel a nervous thrill when they think of the possibility of a knave shooting them down without attracting attention to himself, whether they are in a place of business, in a private residence or in the streets. The Maxim noiseless arm is not an exciter of pleasant thoughts for it forebodes dire possibilities.

THE KIDNAPERS CAUGHT.

The capture of the kidnapers of Billy Whittier is a piece of good news and the character of the money found upon the woman leaves little doubt that the right parties are in the hands of the police.

No one can blame Mr. Whittier for the part he played. He went to a grocery store, gave a package containing \$10,000 to a woman to charge, who turned it over to a strange man who called for it. He did this without the knowledge of the police, concealing his actions from them and telling them that the appearance would lead to the final disappearance and to the probable death of his son. An hour or two later, the boy, somewhat disguised, was placed on a trolley car by a man who paid the boy's fare and gave orders that he be dropped at a hotel. There his father was waiting for him, and the two were reunited.

It was a desperate situation and now the guilty parties are in the hands of the police at Cleveland and the general hope is that they may receive for their crime the extent of the law, which in Pennsylvania is imprisonment for life.

The joy that was felt at Sharon over the return of the boy has spread to all parts of the country; and the feeling is general that this kind of a crime, which is more horrible than murder should be suppressed by the severity of the law.

SUNDAY OBSERVANCE AGITATION

It has long been the judgment of The Journal-Courier that the people of Connecticut can be trusted to settle satisfactorily any social question which arises without the aid of the halls of legislation. If finally a more liberal Sunday is to be introduced into the life of the state, it will come because public opinion favors it, and not because the law has undertaken to do the job. Already more has been determined in this connection by the agitation, which has been carried on in the press and at Hartford, than the enactment of any law will accomplish. If there is a bare possibility that public opinion will accomplish what the people want without legislation, it might be in order to not legislate, or to postpone legislation until it has been demonstrated that public opinion is denied its authority. At any rate the east and the west are to gether giving us all food for thought.

The respectable and influential support which a more liberal Sunday law has received at Hartford is surprising to the people. The Bulletin sees no reason for legislating on this subject. We have what is known as a "blue law" but it is a dead letter because public sentiment disapproves of it. Sunday everywhere in this state is observed according to the way in which it is regarded by the people; and the Sunday as it is observed is a 19th-century Sunday. There is no help for it. The observance of Sunday depends upon the convictions of the people. Men cannot be made good by law, and they cannot be made to observe Sunday in strict accord with statute law. It has long been recognized by the populace as a holiday as well as a holy day and is accordingly observed. The people ought to be able to regulate the matter without any loosening up or tightening of the law.

ABUNDANT PRECEDENT.

Senator Bulkeley has abundant precedent for not considering his age any bar to the retention of the position which he fills. Other senators of value to the country and honorable to the states which they represent have surpassed his years by one term, if not two, and with his youthful mind and vigor of body he is not likely to grow old for many years to come. At least he is going to satisfactorily perform the duties of a competent and safe adviser in the national councils. The case of John Bigelow going to Europe for pleasure at the age of 93 is an illustration in point—Bridgeport Standard.

This being true and The Bulletin will not venture to deny it, how does the state law look which in effect treats every judge in the state as an imbecile at the age of 70? The state of Connecticut says at the age of 70 no man within its bounds is capable of conducting a court. If this idea prevailed everywhere, Gladstone and Bismarck and Von Moltke and several other great octogenarians would have never made their record. If the ruling is true that a man is incapacitated for a judge at 70, it is ridiculous for the state that so avers to claim that a man at 75 is competent to be a senator. Why not repeal the law?

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Some people are so constituted that getting up early in the morning is never a soft-snap to them.

Now Caruso has lost his voice. He lost that and his wife because he did not know how to take care of either.

It must be admitted that Colonel Roosevelt's vigorous way of saying things ought to wake up the Africans.

Chairman Payne is not looking for compliments, for he knows that the makers of tariff bills never receive any.

Will Horace Johnson please look at the sun and tell us whether he is actually the father of all our earthquakes.

Tom Lawson is seriously asking: "Will the republic endure?" It is very likely to outlast a few more men like him.

A boy fresh from Harvard college wrote "Salvation Nell," but it took him a long time to make the leading part what it should be.

Happy thought for today: An affinity: A woman with the moral conscience of a married man who is in need of an affinity.

The newspaper woman who writes up the millinery openings as "yawning gulfs of temptation," shows that her duty is very trying.

It is to be hoped that Professor Starr will not worry himself to death over the possible fate of Roosevelt before the colonel gets home.

For men who were without an opinion, and who did not know a newspaper when they saw it, the jurors in the Cooper-Carmack case were clear headed.

Since murder has been decided to be a crime in Tennessee, it is now thought that the governor's pardon may be relied upon to defeat the ends of justice.

A western town is elated over the fact that it is to have a town clock the tick of which can be heard four blocks, while the striker can be heard four miles.

The anti-cigarette law, the Newburyport News says, "is killed in the Massachusetts legislature every year," and it would like to know who gets the bodies.

The Nashua minister, who requires that the members of the choir sing as pure as the man in the pulpit, has not devised a plan to make purity visible or comparative.

Chairman Payne is finding it as hard to explain his tariff bill to the parties in interest as some congressional men will to tell their constituents why they voted for the Cannon rules.

Chicago has voted to spend ten thousand dollars annually for testing the city gas to see that it is kept up to the standard required by law. It costs money to keep up standards.

Springfield a Seaport.

As the cause of waterway improvement makes headway, our inland watercourses will be sought by an increasing number of yachtsmen and a new and enjoyable means of exploring the natural beauties of many localities will be provided. We may readily believe that before many years Springfield will be visited by many yachting parties in the course of a summer, as it is now a favored stopping place for large numbers of automobilists—Springfield Union.

Woman in Life and in the Kitchen.

FASHION FADS.

Old rose is still a favorite. Buttons are used in great abundance. Gray seems to be perennially popular. Of metallic tints there is a wide supply. Net promises to be used not only for yokes and sleeves, but for gowns and waists. Foulards are shown in an unusually long range of patterns and colors for the spring. Even lingerie waists of the most costly sort have adopted the little ecoteche braid. Metallic gold fringe is used extensively on sleeves, scarfs and even on tunic draperies. Flowers, as usual, are important in connection with spring headwear, and wings are smart on hats of moderate size. Just now there seems to be a race between the dyer and the dressmaker to see which can produce the most new effects. One of the new handings in white lawn is embroidered all over closely with one color in a small leaf and dot pattern. Belt buckles in silver, in Japanese characters, which signify good luck and long life, are exceedingly good looking.

NEEDLEWORK SUGGESTIONS.
No. 8002—Design to be transferred to a shirt waist of crepe de chine, thin silk, challis, or silk voile, muslin, Persian or Victoria lawn, or batiste and worked in shadow embroidery with white or colored silk floss or mercerized cotton.

Prunes in Jelly.
Take 1 cupful sour milk, 1 of sweet milk, a tablespoonful of melted butter, the layers of 4 eggs. Juice and rind of 1 lemon, and a small cupful of white powdered sugar. Put both kinds of milk together in a vessel, which is set in another, and let it become sufficiently heated to set the curd, then strain off the milk, rub the curd through a strainer, add butter to the curd, the sugar, well beaten eggs and lemon. Line the little pans with the richest of puff paste and with the mixture. Bake until firm in the center, from 10 to 15 minutes.

Banana Cream.
Four ripe bananas, cut in thin slices. Lay them in a glass dish, and between the layers of prunes which are chilled, wine glass of rum until all is used. Then whip a cup of cream and put on top.

Orange Shortcake.
One quart flour, 2 tablespoons butter, 2 teaspoons baking powder, mixed with the flour. Mix with cold water, work as little as possible, bake, split open, and lay sliced oranges between. Cut in squares and serve with pudding sauce.

Cake With Bread Crumbs.
One cupful powdered sugar, half a cupful of chopped nuts, 1-1/2 cups of grated stale rye bread crumbs, 6 eggs, 1 teaspoonful cream of tartar, 1-1/2 teaspoonfuls of soda, 1 tablespoonful of lemon juice, 1 teaspoonful of spice (blend of allspice, mace and cinnamon). Beat yolks of eggs and sugar five minutes, whip whites with cream of tartar until stiff, add lemon juice to the yolks, then add the whites, whip two minutes, then add the other ingredients, and beat well. Bake in a tube loaf tin. When cool cover with a smooth icing made with the juice of a lemon or an orange, mixed with as much powdered sugar as it will take up. Decorate with halved pecans or walnuts.

Candy Lemon Peel.
To candy lemon peel, boil it in sugar and then expose it to the air till the sugar crystallizes. Orange peel must first be soaked in cold water to remove the bitterness, and then be changed every now and then. Boil till it is soft and transparent in the sugar.

Cleaning Marble.
To clean marble, take two parts of soda, one of pumice and one of salt (all in powder), and mix to a paste with water. Rub this on the marble, not forgetting to add some "elbow grease," and wash off with salt water. Finish with clean, cold water and a soft cloth.

To Clean Tinware.
Stains and discolorations on tinware can be removed by dipping a damp cloth in common soda and rubbing briskly. Then wash thoroughly and wipe dry.

Bridget's Beattitudes.
Blessed is the turkey which is dry-picked and not scaled. Blessed is the bread dressing which is flavored with oysters, about two dozen small ones to a quart of dressing is plenty. Blessed are the small pieces of apple put in the body of a duck to absorb the strong flavor. Blessed is the hominy served with wild fowl; currant jelly, too, is a necessary accompaniment. Blessed is the hominy boiled in milk; proportion, one scant cup of hominy to a pint of milk. Blessed is the food which is eaten slowly and well masticated.

Uses for Old Dress.
Have you been hoarding an old foul dress? One of those kind of dresses which you liked and hated to part with, but it went out of style. Get it out! Clean it, rip it, and if there's not enough in it to make a scant short-sleeved one-piece empire dress, make it into a pretty shirtwaist with knife plaiting down the front.

Washing Clothes.
A little pipeclay dissolved in the water used for washing clothes improves the color of the linen, saves time, soap and labor, and, though it is particularly useful for kitchen cloths and other coarse and much-soiled articles, it will do no damage to the finest fabrics.

Bangs the Vogue.
Bangs are coming in again. A fluffy little fringe worn straight across the forehead below the hair perceptible pompadour. This style has been positively forced back on account of the hardening effect produced by hats worn low over the face.

To Remove Scorch.
To remove scorch from white goods wet the place well with soap and water and place the garment in full sunshine. Repeat the process until the scorch is removed.

How to Clean Velvet.
Velvet, even of delicate colors, can be cleaned.

Thimble Saves Muglin.
Muglin sash curtains are sometimes torn by passing a rod through their hem. This accident is easily prevented. Put a thimble on one end of the rod, then pass it through the hem. With it on the point you will find it slides through quite easily.

Ammonia Cleans Kid.
To clean kid shoes put in a saucer a half ounce of strong ammonia, dip in a clean flannel and rub it on castle soap. Then rub the shoes with this, changing the flannel when it becomes soiled.

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Pigs in Blanket.

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Browned Fricassee Chicken.
Quarter pound chicken, four tablespoonfuls of butter, two tablespoonfuls of flour, one teaspoonful Liebig company's extract, one quart boiling water, one teaspoonful of salt, one saltspoonful of pepper and a slice of onion.

Cream Codfish.
Take two cups of boiled codfish, put in a chafing dish with a pint of milk, butter size of an egg. Let boil, then add one tablespoonful of flour mixed with a little milk. Have three eggs boiled and pour the creamed fish over it. Serve with toast. Drop a postal and I'll call. deacid. Phone 618-5.

Creamed Oysters.
Scald fifty oysters in own liquor until the edges curl, then drain. Put into heated chafing dish two tablespoonfuls of butter and two tablespoonfuls of flour, add one-half to three-quarters pint of milk, adding slowly and stirring constantly so they will not get lumpy. When thick add one tablespoonful of sherry and serve, or the sherry can be omitted.

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